

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: John A. Dickson, et al.	)	Examiner: Janell Combs Morillo
Serial No.: 10/783,154	)	Group Art Unit: 1742
Filed: February 19, 2004	)	Docket No.: 02-3680
For: Method of Forming a Splined Shaft	)	Confirmation No.: 1875

Amendment

October 12, 2006

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 12, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.